Repair of National Highway No. 21 between Murree and Rohtang

296. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH : Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) when the last repairs were undertaken by the BRO on 17 Kilometres stretch of National Highway No. 21 between Murree and Rohtang;

(b) whether Government are aware that the road stretch referred to above is in bad shape and heavily used by buses, other transport operators and tourist vehicles thus causing inconvenience to users and damage to vehicles; and

(c) if so, by when the road is likely to be resurfaced/repaired ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI] : (a) Murree-Rohtang Road is not a National Highway. The road is being developed and maintained by Border Roads Organisation. Its maintenance is a continuous process. Presently, works of repairs and re-surfacing of the existing block stopped surface of the streach are under progress.

(b) The stretch is located in snow bound area and experiences heavy snow fall. Continuous efforts are being made for repairing the damages to the roads within available resources, to minimize inconvenience to users.

(c) The re-surfacing and repair works are targeted to be completed by October, 2002.

List of items reserved for SSI

†297. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently removed some products from the list of items reserved for the SSI;

(b) if so, the details thereof together with the reasons therefor;

(c) the rules framed by Government in this regard;

(d) whether Government are contemplating to remove some more products from the above list; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government have dereserved 51 items from the list of items reserved for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector in May, 2002. The list of items dereserved is enclosed as statement (*See* below). The reasons for dereservation of these items was to allow greater opportunities for technological upgradation, promotion of exports and for achieving economies of scale.

(c) to (e) The issue of reservation/dereservation of items for exclusive manufacture in the SSI sector is examined on a continual basis by the Government and is based on the recommendations of the Advisory Committee constituted under the Industries Development & Regulation Act, 1951. In addition, the Ministry of Small Scale Industries also consults stakeholders regarding various entries in the list. Items are considered for dereservation based on such reviews and consultations.

Statement

The list of items dereserved for exclusive manufacture in the Small Scale Sector

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Gazette Notification	Product Code No.	Name of the Product
	Notification No. 533 (E) Dt. 20-05-02		
1.	233	310630	Other citrates
2.	240(E)	310673	Methyl & Salicylate (Based on purchased salicylic acid)
3.	245	313131	Glycero Phosphates
4.	307A	313134	Halogenated hydroxy-quinoline starting from 8-Hydroxy quinolines except for integrated schemes for the manufacture of 8-Hydroxy-quinolines

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Gazette Notification	Product Code No.	Name of the Product
	Notification No. 533 (E) Dt. 20-05-02		
5.	310	314401	Tooth pastes
6.	434	343502	Persian wheels
7.	450	343522	Seed treaters
8.	453	343531	Seed Bins
9.	454	343532	Water lifters
10.	500	350102	Winnowers-upto 5HP motive Power
11.	509	350803	Low speed gear for use in agricultural machines, thresher—made of cast iron/mild steel-non-heat treated
12.	512	353201	Oil crushers
13.	513	353202	Oil crusher parts
14.	513B	353805	Tea cutting knives
15.	513C	354803	Three knives trimmer and envelope cutters
16.	628	374714	Bulb horns
17.	637	37474902	Automobile radiators-except for expansion of existing unit on merits and induction of new units based on new improved technology and excluding aluminium radiators

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Gazette Notification	Product Code No.	Name of the Product
	Notification No. 533 (E) Dt. 20-05-02		
18.	652	374874	Exhaust Muffler-Auto other than double coil exhaust muffler
19.	732	380302	Alidades
20.	733	380304	Chain line base measuring apparatus
21.	734	380305	Cross staff
22.	735	380306	Compass/prismatic
23.	736	380307	Dividers
24.	737	380308	Drawing boards
25.	738	380309	Dumpy levels
26.	739	380310	Drawing instruments-Engg.
27.	740	380311	Diagonal scales
28.	741	380312	Engineers level
29.	742	380313	Engineering scales
30.	743	380314	French corners
31.	744	380315	Ghat and reed tracers
32.	745	380317	Measuring chain
33.	746	380318	Optical square
34.	747	380319	Protractors
35.	748	380320	Plane meters

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Gazette Notification	Product Code No.	Name of the Product
	Notification No. 533 (E) Dt. 20-05-02		
36.	749	380321	Plane tables equipment
37.	750	380322	Ranging rod
38.	751	380323	Flat rule
39.	752	380325	Set square
40.	753	380326	Slid rule
41.	754	380328	Sextant
42.	755	380329	Triangular scales
43.	756	380331	Tee
44.	757	380332	T-squares
45.	758	380333	Callipers
46.	759	380335	Drafting machine for designing and drawing offices
47.	760	380399	Other drawing mathematical and survey instruments—excluding theodolites
48.	781	38210101	Clocks, wall clocks, pendulam type both with mechanical movement, transistorized movement except lever type clocks
49.	783	38280201	Watch dials except ornamental high priced dials—Simple dials

Sl. No.	Sl. No. as per Gazette Notification	Product Code No.	Name of the Product
	Notification No. 533 (E) Dt. 20-05-02		
50.	783A	38280301	Cast brass watch cases polished and plated
51.	32A(10)	260315	Synthetic knitted gas mantle fabric

New scheme to promote SSI and Cottage Industry

298. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL : Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have formulated any new scheme to promote small scale and cottage industries in the country during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the above scheme is being implemented; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Sick SSI's in the country

†299. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards consistent increase in the number of sick small scale industries in various States, during the last three years ?

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and year-wise ?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.